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Outside funds finance new Grossmann

By KATE HUNT
Staff Writer

The new Grossmann addition won't cost Wartburg a cent—not yet anyway. That is because Cardinal Construction Company is footing the bill.

"It's becoming a common practice for colleges and universities to get a building built by a construction company," said Ron Matthias, vice president business and finance.

Once the building is complete, Cardinal will lease the building to Wartburg over a 20-year period and then give the ownership title back to Wartburg.

According to Kathy Thoms, a finance director of Bremer County, Wartburg will pay $436,800 annually to Cardinal until the year 2024. Cardinal also has a 3-percent growth factor each year. This factor will be at 60 percent by the last year of payment.

The money that Wartburg will pay to Cardinal will come partially from the student housing fee.

"Wartburg is collecting fees that students pay, and in this case we have an obligation to pay that amount to Cardinal," Matthias said.

Cardinal Construction will pay the estimated amount of $5.5 million for the new building. The company formally will propose a $1.8 million bond from Bremer County at a public hearing April 19 at the Bremer County Courthouse.

A bond is similar to a loan from a bank. Cardinal will seek to get the $1.8 million bond to cover their materials, salary and sub-contracts with plumbing and electrical companies.

Wartburg, who currently holds the owner's title for the plot of land where the new addition is being built, will transfer the title to Cardinal Construction, who then will pay for the building taxes on the property.

According to Dick Crayne, a Waverly city administrator, Wartburg does not have to pay any building taxes, not because of their religious affiliation as part of an Iowa State Law, but because they are selling the plot of land to Cardinal, and the company will start to pay taxes on the property this year.

The land under the new addition was approved as an Urban Renewal Area Project for the development and construction of the new dormitory by Waverly's city council on Nov. 24, 2003.

An Urban Renewal Area is a tax-increment financing area where the value on the property is frozen, meaning in 20 years the value will still be the same amount as it was when it was purchased. The investor (Cardinal) builds the building for Wartburg, gets the annual lease payment for 20 years and from that payment and the taxes on the building, Cardinal pays off the bonds and the rest of the project expenditures.

Cardinal was selected to do the new Grossmann addition because of its work on the Wartburg Student Center, Wartburg Chapel and Vogel Library.

The new Grossmann addition will be completed by Aug. 1, according to project manager Dave Leonhart '96.

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GOT IT!—Junior Jason Lampe dives to dig the ball at the campus sand volleyball court. Warm spring weather has brought many student activities outdoors. Plans are being made for an intramural sand volleyball team during May Term.

New entrance to come in fall

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN
Staff Writer

Next year students will come back to a new entrance on campus. That's the plan anyway, according to John Wuertz, director of Wartburg's physical plant. At the March 22 Waverly city council meeting, Wartburg introduced the plan.

The hope is to start construction on the new entrance this summer and to have construction completed before school opens this fall.

"This version of the new entrance to campus came about in February of this year," Wuertz said. "We were looking to create an entrance that created a front door to Wartburg College and helped to signify that you'd arrived at Wartburg."

The plan introduced at the city council meeting focused on making Eighth Street the new entrance to Wartburg. To accomplish this, Eighth Street will be closed north of First Avenue to through traffic. Eighth Street will then be connected with Seventh Street in order to help complete a loop around campus. Plans also call for Eighth Street to be widened by two feet to allow parking on one side of the street, Wuertz said.

The plan would also complete First Avenue between the blocks of Eighth and Ninth Streets, as well as relocate faculty/staff and visitor parking behind the Student Center. By relocating parking Wuertz said there will be a gain of 20 off-street parking spaces for visitors, faculty and staff.

A roundabout is planned for south of Players Theatre at the corner of Eighth Street and First Avenue, which will help manage traffic flow around Wartburg. The plan also adds a drop-off loop in front of Neumann Auditorium.

"We originally had a plan for a new entrance back in 2001 when we began construction on the Student Union but later decided against the idea," Wuertz said. "Since then, we've been looking for a way to make this plan work and help create a front door to the Wartburg campus."

The plan hasn't been officially approved by the city.

"We have to have our drawings to the city for review on April 19," said Wuertz. "Then in May we go before the city to get zoning approval for our construction and finally meet with the city council for approval of our plans."

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MASTER PLAN—This design for a new campus entrance will be presented to the Waverly city council for review April 19. Enlarged map at wartburg.edu/trumpet/.

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The grad speech you won't hear

By STEVEN C. MURRAY
Columnist

Well, here it is. All of you readers over the past few years might have been wondering if this column would ever go to print.

At this point in my 'career' at Wartburg, one can only wonder if I really have a heck of a lot more to say about this place. And, to be blatantly honest, just about all of it has been said.

Since I am still waiting for my invitation from the bigwigs to be the student speaker at graduation (I should have been twice eligible, for those of you keeping score at home), I will present my commencement speech here today – in the Trumpet. Lucky you.

To the class of 2004, family, friends, students, faculty, staff and administration: welcome to the beginning of an exciting time in your lives. For some, you know what lies ahead – for others, you have no clue. What an adventure! Always remember that things will work out, one way or another. It is inevitable. I don't necessarily believe in that 'everything happens for a reason' nonsense, but regardless, things will work out.

As for my experience at Wartburg, there have been good times, rough times and most importantly, memorable times. Wartburg is a friendly place. Although there is much that is skewed with regard to the ways in which this college is operated, there are other things that are just. For example, the faculty, staff and student body are made up of some really great people.

"Things have always been somewhat uneasy, merely because this place has never really been 'complete' to us. The real question remains: will it ever be complete and where will it all end?"

If Old Main burned to the ground, the track ended up melting into a moat of orange and the Wartburger actually turned out to be just a typical Manwich, Wartburg would still be the place it is because of the people.

Everybody always says it, but it seems to be of vital importance now more than ever because things here are continually changing. The one thing to remain constant, however, is the affable ambience created by you, the typical Wartburgian.

Many persons I know believe that "change is good." In my five years here, I wouldn't throw out that notion completely. However, being able to be at ease with things is also enticing. Ever since I stepped foot onto this campus as a freshman, Wartburg, to some extent, has been under construction.

Here is a quick and dirty glimpse at projects I have seen go down: Completion of Vogel Library, elimination of part of 10th Street, 1st floor of Luther Hall, Knights Village, the Fine Arts Center basement/2nd floor, Walston-Hoover Stadium, the new maintenance building, the Student Center, the science center and now the Grossmann addition. It is quite a hefty list, considering this is only during the span of five years.

Ongoing construction has possibly been the best and worst thing to happen to Wartburg; on one hand, things are improving and becoming more accessible – on the other hand, there hasn't been a single moment of stability on campus in five years. Things have always been somewhat uneasy, merely because this place has never really been 'complete' to us. The real question remains: will it ever be complete, and where will it all end?

To the administration: give us all a break. Seriously. Sometimes it appears as if you have forgotten that we are at a small, private, Lutheran liberal arts college in northeast Iowa. People are not going to instantly kiss your feet at the drop of "Be Orange."

Instead of retention rates, you need to be concerned with putting current students on top of the priority list. Simply put, the administration of this institution should be glad that their jobs do not rely upon a vote of the student body. Without students, your jobs are laughable at best.

To everyone else: thank you for the opportunities that have existed, and best of luck in the future. Is it too ridiculous to say that I will somewhat miss this place? Well, it's truly been a blast.

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Myths and realities of student teaching

By MATT TOWNSLEY
Columnist

Get up around seven, teach kids for six or seven hours, and then come home and relax with your college friends. This is often the life of a student teacher, right?

From the outside, it may seem like a semester of student teaching would be less stressful and involve fewer evening hours of preparation compared to the typical academic load. Based on my experiences of ten weeks of student teaching thus far, I beg to differ.

Because a fair number of the friends I have made here at Wartburg also major in education, I do not often hear the stereotypes surrounding education majors, but I have managed to catch a few. With those thoughts in mind, I hope to clear up a couple of the myths that are often attached to student teaching.

Myth #1 – "Student teachers have an easier daily schedule – they have evenings off!"

During student teaching, it's vital that school building hours are observed. For me, this entails being at school from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. or 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., at the very least. So, yes, evenings are typically unscheduled, but events such as parent-teacher conferences fill the evening hours at least once per semester for us. Furthermore, I spend on average one to three hours each evening creating lesson plans, checking papers, writing assessments and working on my various student-teaching portfolios. For the duration of my seven semesters of academic study at Wartburg, I have never had 10 straight five-day weeks filled with constant activities from eight until four. In fact, there were more days that I slept in past eight in the morning because my day did not begin until nine or 10. True, I did have various organizational meetings in the evenings, but those were by choice and were not necessarily pertinent for the next day's activities like lesson planning, paper grading and test writing are presently for the student teacher in me.

Myth #2 – "Student teachers just teach, check papers and do other regular teacher duties."

Part of this myth is true. Student teachers do teach, check papers, write tests, attend teachers' meetings and discipline kids. In addition to being a teacher, we must journal on a semi-daily basis, create at least one portfolio to be turned in at the end of the semester displaying our progress and reflective thoughts, complete and review a wide array of paperwork before each of six Wartburg personnel observational visits and attend evening seminars on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. More specifically, secondary student teachers are required to turn in a portfolio addressing our progress towards meeting the Iowa Teaching Standards, various reflection pieces describing how our student teaching placements addressed various components of the Wartburg Education Department Knowledge Base, a small research project proving that students are actually making academic progress in our classrooms and an assessment of our personal professional growth during the twelve weeks of teaching.

To sum it all up, student teaching is an experience like none other. It is more than just a trial run at becoming a teacher. It is a test of endurance, perseverance and daily excellence. If nothing else, it is going to make me appreciate being a "student" once again for my final May Term on Wartburg's campus.

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Editor's note: This is a section that allows readers to submit an anonymous opinion in two sentences or less. Send submissions for "Blow Your Horn" to trumpet@wartburg.edu.

- When I put up stamped posters, why are they always gone by that night? Res Life stamps them for a reason.
- I enjoyed the senior dinner, but it would have been better had our December '04 grads been invited as well.
- Hats off to half the campus or more for their performances this past weekend in Macbeth and performing groups.

Space doesn't serve theatre

By ANDY THOMPSON
Guest Columnist

The building of the new Student Center has put a lot of things into question. In particular what will happen to Players Theatre when the new auditorium (or Neumann Jr., as I call it) is complete. The plan was to tear Players down, which would have been a big mistake, but happily President Ohle has said this isn't going to happen. He said that Players will stay up for the next year, but could not say about following years.

The new performance space has a lot of practical uses including a space for convocations and the music department. However, it would not make a good theatre. Instead, the theatre department needs a worthy space of its own. Players could fit this role, but has countless things that can be improved.

First of all, the chairs for the audience to sit in are horrible. If you have been to a play and sat in those chairs you know what I am talking about. Also, the backstage space should be twice as big and must include a makeup room and changing rooms for both sexes.

The technical limitations on the building are another story. There is nowhere near ample shop space. The shop in Players is about the size of one of the double rooms in Clinton or the Complex. The lighting and sound systems are out of date and running on fumes. Those two systems can be changed without tearing down the building but do not seem to get any attention.

There are many things that could be done to improve the quality of Wartburg theatre, and I realize that the theatre department is not first on the list of things to spend money on at this campus. Even so, the crowds and growing major have shown that the need for a worthy space is great and since we seem to be building everything else, we should consider the construction of a new theatre or at least a renovation of our outdated equipment.

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Terrorism hits Uzbekistan

By KACY BURG '03
Guest Columnist

Editor's note: Kacy Burg, a 2003 graduate and a Trumpet staff writer, is volunteering with the Peace Corps in Uzbekistan, which was hit by terrorists last week. Burg was studying in the Czech Republic when terrorism hit the United States on 9/11. The following is part of an e-mail she sent Saturday to family and friends.

I'm sure many of you have heard about the recent events in Uzbekistan, and I just wanted to drop you a quick e-mail to say that I'm safe, and all is going on as usual. There have been several terrorist attacks in Uzbekistan during the past week, and about 40 people have been killed, but all of the Peace Corps volunteers and staff are just fine.

Let me give you a brief overview of what happened, although you probably know more than I do. The first I heard of the attacks was when I got a call from our Peace Corps warden (the volunteer responsible for disseminating information in our region) on Monday, and with that phone call came the mandate not to leave my village (in case Peace Corps decided that all volunteers should be consolidated, they want to be able to easily reach us). So I've been tearing my hair out in frustration at not having access to Internet news about these events.

The long and short of the story is that a man making bombs in Bukhara (a historic city in the middle/western part of Uzbekistan) blew himself up Sunday evening. Then, Monday morning three suicide bombers blew themselves up in Tashkent, the capital, killing people at a large and popular market. That same day, there were supposedly attacks on the militsiya (police) in several cities.

Then on Tuesday there was an attack in Qibray, north of Tashkent (the city in which we had our training meetings in August, September and November).

This is very unusual in Uzbekistan, a country the size of the state of California. Usually things are very peaceful, and there have never before been suicide bombings. I'm hoping there won't be any more attacks and hoping that our travel restrictions from Peace Corps will be lifted by Saturday so that I can go to Urganch to send you this e-mail.

All in all, I feel perfectly safe. None of the attacks have been aimed at foreigners, and my little corner of western Uzbekistan has remained relatively untouched. I live in a town smaller than Waverly, so it's unlikely that any kind of terrorist action would occur here. So, no worries....

That said, and aside from the tragedy of these attacks and the inconveniences they've caused (I really want to go read the New York Times online!!), it has been really interesting to be here during these events, seeing people's reactions and witnessing things first-hand. I'd like to tell you about a couple of my observations.

First, I've been more informed than any Uzbek has been because I've had information from Peace Corps. I found out about the Tashkent bombings nearly 10 hours before anything was broadcast on the Uzbek news. I also found out about the Tuesday Qibray attack nearly a day before everyone else! And because I speak English and have access to friends who can access international news sources online, I think I probably still know more about all of this than any of them do.

"All in all, I feel pretty safe. None of the attacks have been aimed at foreigners, and my little corner of western Uzbekistan has remained relatively untouched."

Other points of interest? The complete indifference I've observed in my Uzbek students and friends about the attacks. This is a pretty big deal in a small country, yet most of them seem unconcerned.

The interest level rose a little when school was cancelled as a result, but there doesn't seem to be much pondering or worrying.... When I first heard the news and told my counterpart (before it was announced officially on Uzbek TV), she said, "Really? At the bazaar? Hmm. So, have you seen the new Korean movie on TV?"

And Tuesday I asked my 11th graders if they were interested in this news and if it scared or worried them. The answer? They aren't very concerned about it. It's not a big deal. They don't feel threatened in Yangibozor....I let the discussion fade away and listened to their conversations in Uzbek as we transitioned to other work, curious about whether this little discussion would prompt any conversation about the attacks. Nope. Everyone returned to their gossip and normal conversation.

This seems very different from what I would expect in the U.S. (although I was abroad for 9/11, so I'm not sure what people's reactions were in the States. If you have any comparisons to share, I'd like to hear them).

I guess I'm happy that the people here aren't scared or worried. As I've looked around at them lately, I've felt this intense feeling of sadness for them. They're just these small people in a small town in an often-forgotten region of an often-forgotten country, trying to do their jobs and raise their families and enjoy their lives. They want their current government to leave them alone so that they can live peacefully, and they want terrorists and other groups to leave them alone so that their lives aren't negatively impacted. Really, they're stuck here.

If something were to happen, if anything big happened, I would be removed from here immediately by Peace Corps, but these people would remain here, doing their jobs, living their lives, feeling the impacts of whatever chaos there was. It's really sad to see. I care about these people a lot. They're my friends and coworkers.

Need for political action, not politics

By RUSS GOEREND
Columnist

I haven't been this disappointed since our Great Country "liberated" Iraq with the foresight of a blind man wearing a cowboy hat invading a third world country, but that's a topic to be covered next October when the same instinctively challenged cowboy pulls Bin Laden out of a hat just in time to save his re-election campaign.

Disappointment first set in when the Senate Executive Committee pulled the meanest April Fool's Day prank since my sister convinced me I was adopted...earlier that morning. Those of us in attendance at the Student Senate meeting Thursday morning were lulled into a false sense that maybe, just maybe, the students were beginning to fight back in the War on Tuition. My second taste of April Fool's Thursday went like this:

"Someone started a petition seeking the resignation of President Ohle. People are lining up around campus to sign it!" What??? April Fool's!!! Hook, line and sinker.

I watch political action every day. It's pretty hard not to. Political action is CNN reporting that National Security Adviser Condoleeza Rice is going to testify before the 9/11 commission and the public. It's FOX News telling viewers that President Bush and Vice President Cheney will also testify in front of the commission but behind closed doors. But while these examples are both political, they are not "politics."

If truth is clean and admirable, then politics is a dirty, four-letter word. Politics is taking a $5.6 trillion national surplus and turning it into a $3.2 trillion national debt. It's sucking our Social Security Trust Fund dry by the time our generation has a chance to retire with help from the government. Politics is a sailor diving into Iraq, headfirst, arms at his or her sides, without any plan as to what happens after the "liberation." That's politics on a governmental scale, and it indirectly affects every one of us, every day.

Around here in Wartburg country, politics is a little different. Politics starts with our president telling us he will do his best to "give us an affordable education" followed by subsequent raises in tuition every year. There's politics in campaign promises like a swimming pool on campus and a spring Outfly. It's a closed senate working around constitutional by-laws, and it indirectly affects every one of us, every day.

The sad part is that I thought it was different here. This silly, silly boy thought that we could avoid the politics here and stick to political action. But just like the cop-out excuse I received from someone I hold in very high regard, "Politics is Politics," I am thoroughly disappointed.

You know, maybe I'm teaching myself something as I write this. Ignoring the constitution (Article III, section 5, if you're scoring at home), hiding decisions from those directly affected (if you've never tried to pronounce ombudsperson, you should do just that and learn what it means in the process). Maybe that's what politics is all about. Maybe I'm just being naïve in thinking that my small school senate, representing me, Russell P. Student, could rise above the popularity-contest politics that our national government has fallen into.

Shaa right, and monkeys might fly out of my butt. Party on Wayne! Party on Garth!

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Burning Questions?

What's the possibility of Wartburg purchasing an organizational license for a pop-up and spam-blocking software, similar to what Information Technology Services (ITS) did with the corporate edition of Norton Anti-virus?

According to Gary Wipperman, director of ITS, ITS has been looking into a product that will remove spyware and resulting pop-ups from computers on campus. At this point, ITS has identified a product that will meet expectations of being safe, reasonably priced and easy to administer; however, ITS is also looking into another new product that is now available from the same company that provides Wartburg with Norton Anti-virus. Wipperman said a target date for implementation of any new software has not been set.

When is the next scheduled Movie Knight?

The next Movie Knight sponsored by Entertainment ToKnight (ETK) will be April 14.

Do the Waverly golf courses offer special rates for Wartburg students?

Neither the Waverly Golf Course nor Centennial Oaks Golf Club offers special rates for Wartburg students. Green fees at the Waverly Golf Course are $19 for 18 holes on weekends, $17 for 18 holes on weekdays and $14 for nine holes. To set up a tee time, call 352-1530. Green fees at Centennial Oaks Golf Club are $36 for 18 holes and $21 for nine holes. To set up a tee time, call 483-1765.

Humanitarian values liberal education

By KATIE KIRKLE
Copy Editor

Senior Bilal Rahim is all about liberal education. In fact, he decided to tackle another major in addition to biology pre-med in order to become more well-rounded.

"I decided to add a history major to better formulate and validate my ideas on world issues," Rahim said.

Outside classwork, he serves as vice president for Students for Peace and Justice and is the co-president of History Club. Rahim also works as a lab assistant, an SI instructor for Genetics and as a student consultant at the Writing, Reading and Speaking Lab (WRSL).

Senior Spotlight 2004

Rahim realizes the value of hard work and believes opportunities won't just fall into his lap. Two summers ago, he held a research position at the Cardiovascular Research Center in Iowa City through the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Last summer he conducted cardiovascular research through Harvard Medical School in Boston.

"It was cool," Rahim said. "I got to study hypertension and inject mice with cocaine."

Rahim doesn't necessarily want to go straight to medical school after graduation.

"I love people, and I want to do humanitarian work. I have always wanted to be a doctor, and seeing my dad's work has solidified that for me," Rahim said. "But I'd like to take a year off from school. I might do research at [the University of] Iowa, work with the Red Cross in Tanzania or do humanitarian work in Pakistan. I haven't decided yet."

Rahim's parents grew up in Pakistan and came to the United States in the 1970s.

"I am extremely blessed because I have grown up with two different cultures, and my family's ties to Pakistan are still very strong. I have been there 12 or 13 times, usually for a month around Christmas Break," Rahim said. "Plus, Pakistani food is the best food in the world, by far."

Rahim's Pakistani heritage has had a big influence on his life. In addition to speaking Urdu, the native language of Pakistan, he can also read Arabic.

He said family is also highly regarded in Pakistan.

"You know that old saying about how you don't just marry a girl, you marry her whole family? Yeah, they weren't kidding. Family is huge there. I have like 27 first cousins," Rahim said.

Rahim is very close to his parents and older brother and feels they have been a big influence on his life. He also said that hard work is key, and he is humble considering all the opportunities he's had.

"You can't be unhappy with your surroundings – make it better. That's one big reason why I want to do humanitarian work," Rahim said. "I don't want to leave a situation without feeling I made the most

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ACADEMICALLY ORIENTED—Senior Bilal Rahim studied at Harvard this past summer.

Fast Facts

Majors: Biology, History
Hometown: Waterloo, Iowa
Favorite Class: American Ethnic History, Mammalian Anatomy & Physiology
Favorite Memory: "The returns on our humanitarian efforts last year with LEARN and the fast for peace concerning the Iraqi war. Wartburgians and Iowans surprised me with their generosity."
Biggest Influences: Parents, faculty and friends
Note to Peers: "Embrace and adapt to change. It will help you prepare for the future."
Pearl of wisdom: "Be the change you wish to see in the world."
– Gandhi

Campus observes Earth Day 2004

By KATE HUNT
Assistant Sports Editor

Environmental Activists Reaching Toward Humanity (EARTH) will host Our EARTH Day for the first time on campus Tuesday. Events are in honor of the national Earth Day 2004.

"This is the first time we have ever done events," said junior Ann Calhoun, EARTH president. "[The nationally-recognized] Earth Day is over break [April 22]." We thought we'd bring it to Wartburg because part of our mission is to build environmental awareness."

Several events have been planned for Tuesday. A mass recycling event will take place on the campus lawn in front of Old Main from 9:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Students and faculty can bring in any kind of recyclable items and will be given a stipend for their items.

"There will be a sign up stating how much you can get per item," Calhoun said. "A pop can may be worth five cents, and a piece of paper could be 10 cents. All of the money that people get for their items can be put toward the hemp items that we will be selling."

Other activities include papermaking in the Student Center at 8 p.m. as well as a camp out on the campus mall. Community members are welcome to bring tents and sleeping bags for the evening as well.

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Students, faculty to be recognized

By JULIA BROWN
Staff Writer

Wartburg will celebrate academic achievements of students and recognize faculty for leadership, service and education at the Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship Convocation Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

Senior students who rank academically in the top 40 of the Class of 2004 will be honored as well as those who have completed and presented a research project, are involved in an honor society or have been All-Americans.

Unique this year is that Wartburg will honor a retiring faculty member, Dr. Christopher Schmidt, professor of computer science, as an emeriti faculty member. He will be recognized for 25 years of dedication to students and his department where he primarily taught physics, computer science and math.

The Rev. Larry Trachte, college pastor and assistant professor of religion, will receive the John O. Chellevold student award for teaching excellence and professional service.

Dr. Cheryl Budlong, professor of education, will receive the outstanding adviser award. Outstanding faculty awards are selected by junior and senior students.

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Senate Focus

By KATIE BOWERS
Staff Writer

The following are the events of the Student Senate meeting April 1:

- Ad-hoc committee members continue to review meal plans and food on campus. The committee is going to interview workers and compare the meal plan at Wartburg to other schools.
- Changes were made to the bylaws of Senate's constitution. They include the following: the removal or resignation of a senator means that senator will not be able to run for Senate for one calendar year; and the removal of the publicity committee.
- Senate recommended to Student Life that students living in lounges be financially compensated and/or compensated with newer furniture.
- Senate recommended that the maintenance staff should be recognized for their hard work. This will be included in staff recognition that is on a rotational schedule for every three years. This will be sent on as a recommendation to future Senates.

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Operating budget expenditures vs. revenue

By TINA HINZ
News Editor

Wartburg's 2004-2005 operating expenditure budget is $32.6 million, an increase from the 2003-2004 budget of $30.7 million and 2002-2003 budget of $29.4 million. More than half of these expenses are for faculty and staff salaries and benefits.

"It [expenditure budget] goes up a little every year," said Ron Matthias, vice president for business and finance.

Expenditures:

Next academic year, staff salaries and benefits, including those for adjuncts, will be the college's highest expenditure total, making up 31 percent. Student wages are not part of this total. Faculty salaries and benefits will make up 27 percent of Wartburg's expenditures. According to Matthias, roughly twice as many regular staff members as faculty are employed on campus.

"Some on the staff side are very part time," Matthias said. "Overall, we have approximately 100 full-time faculty and 200 staff."

In both faculty and staff categories, about one-third of the percent is allotted for benefits, including areas of medical, dental, retirement funds and tuition remission, discounts granted to Wartburg faculty or staff or their families enrolled in classes on campus. According to Matthias, although faculty, staff and their families are required to apply for financial aid when enrolling at Wartburg, the college distributes tuition discounts for whatever financial aid people aren't awarded.

Auxiliary enterprises are 15 percent of the budget. These operations of the college deal with things students pay for and benefit from. Money spent on maintaining student residence halls, food service, books at the bookstore, Student Union-related expenses, snow removal and parking lot maintenance are all considered expenditure auxiliaries.

You ask, we answer:

Where does Wartburg tuition money go?

Instructional and academic expenses have been allotted 10 percent of the overall college expenses. Matthias said these include operational costs for campus programs like athletics, band and choir. Computers, office supply charges, student lab assistant wages and postage are a large part of this category.

"A lot of stuff goes out of this college like magazines and brochures," Matthias said. "It's incredible how much paper we go through here as an institution."

Operations and maintenance including cleaning, utilities, repairs and garbage pickup make up a four-percent expense. According to Matthias, these costs are increasing the fastest of all other categories because of "more square feet and prices of electricity and natural gas."

"We have two larger buildings to maintain and heat," Matthias said. "We're very utility-dependent here."

Physical plant, equipment and technology cost about four percent of the budget as well. New computers and classroom projective equipment are all charges.

Student service, a 3-percent expense chunk, refers to programs organized by student life: orientation, international student/diversity activities, Pathways and other related student-directed events.

A 1-percent contingency fund is intended for unanticipated annual costs.

Public service is less than 1 percent of expenditures. These expenses are costs involved with events and organizations like Christmas with Wartburg, athletic booster club and Self-Help International.

Unlike years past, Regents and Presidential scholarships are not considered expenditures. They're accounted for as a reduction in the tuition income.

"We're literally required to record that as a reduction," Matthias said. "Without that, the budget would be $14 million more, closer to $50 million."

Wartburg's expenditures are comparable with other colleges. The Higher Education Price Index, which measures college operational costs, ranks Wartburg on the low end.

Despite its expenditures, Wartburg maintains its place on the low side of tuition charges as well. For the 2004-2005 year, Wartburg's tuition, room and board as well as other fees will cost $25,215. This is lower than many conference liberal arts institutions of its kind.

"We charge less by way of tuition and fees, and we correspondingly spend less on operations," Matthias said. "Size [of the institution] is often reflected.

"Even if a student paid every cent [of tuition], they still wouldn't end up paying all costs of the college," Matthias said. "We depend a lot on friends of the college."

Revenue:

The $32.6 million in expenditures will need to at least be matched by a similar figure in revenue. Tuition and fees will bring in more than half of the 2004-2005 income.

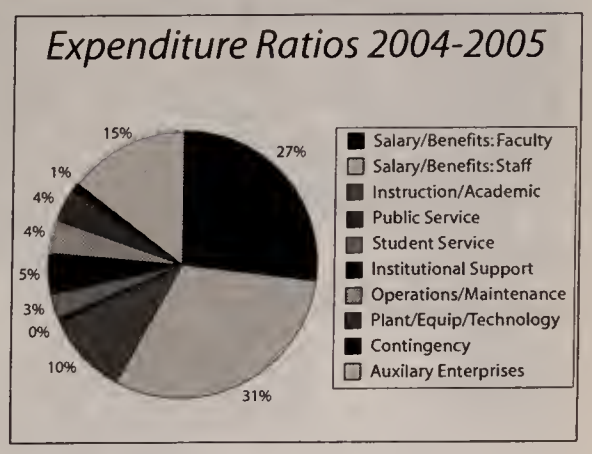
Tuition and fees are 59 percent of next year's intended revenue. Fees include the general fee and all course charges. Summer school tuition is also part of this income.

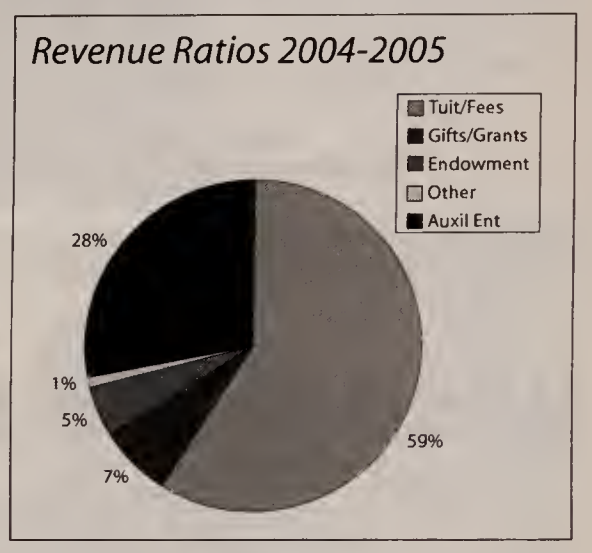
A 28-percent chunk will be covered by auxiliary enterprises. Like the expenditure auxiliaries, this covers income students provide with food service charges, residence hall rentals and parking fees.

Private gifts and grants for the college make up 7 percent of the total. These are gifts from individuals, companies and foundations willing to assist the college.

Last year $7 million in gifts was raised. Thirty-six percent of Wartburg alumni make a contribution to the college each year, compared to the national average of 24 percent for schools like Wartburg.

Dave Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement, described Wartburg gifts and fundraising in three broad areas: capital, annual and endowment.





Capital projects like facility and building construction are funded through contributions.

An annual fund strictly for budget-relieving purposes is made up of all general unrestricted gifts. According to Ostrander, approximately $1.1 million is raised each year for the annual fund. Without this, each student would have to pay about $700 more in order to meet costs met by the annual fund.

The $38 million endowment is also significant revenue, adding 5 percent of next year's revenue. This is money that has been given to the college specifically for the purpose of investment. About 4.5 percent of the sum of endowment interest earnings is used annually to help defray operating costs.

"The endowment provides a permanent fund to help sustain the college over the long run," Matthias said

According to Matthias, the endowment is higher this year than it has been the past two years due to the fluctuating stock market.

Other revenue equals 1 percent. This miscellaneous category includes event ticket sales and income from college-owned Waverly rental properties.

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On the record...

On campus

■ March 26, Fine Arts Center (FAC), accident fall. Adjunct faculty member accidentally fell down the stairs by the FAC lobby. First aid was administered by campus security. An ambulance was called, however, the faculty member declined medical treatment. Case has been closed.

■ March 30, Science Center, theft. Information Technology Services reported a video projector stolen from a lab in the Science Center. The time of theft is unknown. Investigation continues by this office and Waverly police.

■ March 31, Classroom Technology Center (CTC), fire alarm. Burnt toast in the Walkway Café activated the fire alarm system for Luther Hall and the CTC. The alarm was reset, and no damage was reported.

■ April 1, Clinton Hall loading zone, theft. A student reported that someone entered her unlocked car and removed a small amount of cash and a shirt. No other loss or damage were reported. No further action anticipated unless new evidence surfaces.

Waverly police log

■ March 17, approximately 11:50 p.m., underage alcohol consumption. Waverly police arrested Lindsey Michelle Burris, 20, of Waverly, for possession of alcohol under the legal age, a simple misdemeanor. Burris was transported to Bremer County Jail, where she was booked and released.

■ March 27, approximately 11:42 p.m., underage alcohol consumption. Waverly police arrested Jessica Lynn Bloom, 18, for possession of alcohol under the legal age, a simple misdemeanor.

■ March 28, approximately 1:08 a.m., public intoxication. Waverly police responded to a report of a suspicious intoxicated male at the Bremwood campus parking lot. Upon investigation, Justin Paul Beatty, 23, was arrested for public intoxication. Beatty was held overnight in Bremer County Jail.

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DAWN OF THE DEAD

Starring
Sarah Polley and Ving Rhames

Director
Zack Snyder

By BRYAN CLARK
Movie Reviewer

"When there's no more room in Hell, the dead will walk the earth." Ken Foree repeats his classic line from the 1978 original in a nod to genre fans who put up with ringing cell phones and loudmouth frat idiots to see the remake of one of the greatest zombie films of all time. And you know what? It was actually good! A major Hollywood studio managed to take a beloved indie horror property, remake it for modern audiences, and not turn it into a complete pile of crap!

Director Zack Snyder and writer James Gunn (who worked with Troma Films grand poobah Lloyd Kaufman on "Terror Firmer" and "Tromeo and Juliet" before breaking into the mainstream) decided to drop the social commentary (each of the original "Dead" trilogy dealt with a different socio-political issue, race, consumerism, etc.) of George Romero's original "Dawn," and instead simply made a knock-down drag-out horror brawl. This is the film "Resident Evil" should have been.

After Ana (Sarah Polley) sees her husband and daughter reanimate and violently attack her, she flees her house to discover her entire neighborhood, and if radio reports are correct, the entire world, besieged by a plague of zombies. She meets up with police officer Kenneth (Ving Rhames) and several other survivors, and they take refuge in the local shopping mall. The motivation for holing up in the mall, however, is different than the original. In the '78 version, the surviving humans defended the mall as their territory to show how greedy and materialistic people had become. In the remake, they welcome the sight of anyone not wanting to eat them. When the mall is overrun, they turn a couple of mall buses into tanks and make a run for it (obviously none of them has read Max Brooks' Zombie Survival Guide).

There are also some great comic scenes to alleviate the tension of being chased by undead hordes for an hour and a half. The best of these is the game of "plug the zombie celebrity look-alike" that the mall survivors take up with a gun shop owner across the parking lot.

Being the genre elitist I am, I was prepared to hate this movie, but I didn't. Not one bit. Sure, there are some irritating moments, some stupid actions taken by the characters, all little things. So there are in nearly any horror film. In the end, the crew set out to make an entertainingly gory good time, and they succeeded wonderfully. No pretense, no pulpit-pounding, just corpses, and lots of 'em.

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Wind Ensemble to tour Europe May Term

By ANNE FATTIG
Staff Writer

For many Wartburg students, May Term is a memorable experience. This year one of Wartburg's bands will have its chance. The 55 members of the Wind Ensemble and director Craig Hancock will be traveling across the pond to tour Europe.

The band will leave campus April 25 by bus to Minneapolis where they will catch a plane to London. Stops on the tour include Germany, where they will give a concert in the Wartburg Castle, Austria, the Czech Republic, Switzerland and a new addition to the European tour itinerary, Iceland.

Unlike some May Term classes, this one actually begins Winter Term when the band members study various cultural aspects of the places they will visit. Students are assigned to investigate art, architecture, geography, food, dress, language, music and history among other things and prepare a report for the class.

"This class is unique to other May Term classes because most of the class work is done during second semester and then May Term is a time to see what they studied," adds Hancock. "The purpose isn't the band on tour, it is a class that just happens to perform concerts."

Band members also must keep a daily journal of their experiences as they relate to the study of the culture. Along the way, the band will be performing numerous concerts.

The trip will cost each member $3,000 plus spending money. To keep costs low, students will stay in homes at each stop.

"Home stays are the best part of tour because you get to meet so many interesting people," sophomore Jill Johnson said. The band will travel across the continent on a double-decker tour bus.

Band members are preparing for the trip in numerous ways. Getting a passport is a new experience for some.

"I have never gotten a passport, and I learned it takes a long time to get one," said freshman trumpet player Hesper Meidlinger.

Students also are required to wear "Dress Two's," which is a list of acceptable clothes that does not include jeans, T-shirts or tennis shoes.

"Since we are touring around and representing the college, we try to look nice," sophomore flute player Meredith Warren said.

The students are looking forward to different things along the trip. Warren is excited to visit the Wartburg Castle, while Meidlinger is interested in seeing countries and cultures.

"We are getting the chance to play in so many different places all over the world that we probably won't get the chance to do again," Johnson said.

The band performed their home concert yesterday and after the group tours Europe they will continue with performances in Minnesota.

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WARMING UP FOR THE BIG SHOW–Members of the Wind Ensemble rehearse for their upcoming tour of Europe this May. The group will visit five countries and give several performances during the trip.

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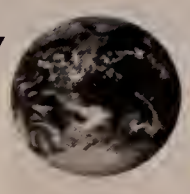
6 **Our Earth Day**  10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mass recycling on the campus mall Papermaking Student Center lobby 8 p.m.	7 Social Science Research Presentations By the students of Advanced Research Methods Heritage Room, Student Center 3-5:30 p.m.	8 Easter Break Begins *5:35 p.m.* *MWF classes resume Tues., April 13, at 7:45 p.m.*	9 **The Salsa Band at the Reverb** $6 cover 9 p.m. www.thereverb.net	10 "Pursuing the Planets" Planetarium Show Grout Museum Museum Admission 11 am, 1:30 pm, 3 pm www.groutmuseumdistrict.org	11 Hoppy Easter!

Year in review Highlights from the 2003-2004 academic year

Nate Kerl/TRUMPET

Former presidential candidate Howard Dean went from the top of the polls to pulling out of the race starting with a third-place finish in the Iowa caucuses

Ben Shanno/TRUMPET

Waverly's first big snow fall started Dec. 4, 2003, during Christmas Greetings on Main. Waverly was featured on A&E's Top 20 Ultimate Holiday Towns in America which brought hosts, stylist David Evangelista, " Victoria's Secret model Frederique Van Der Wal and Vincent Pastore of "The Sopranos .

Ben Shanno/TRUMPET

Sophomore Noah Junge returns a fumble for a touchdown in the playoff game against Bethel College (Minn.) in November. The win sent the team to the next round of playoffs in Oregon to face Linfield College.

Ben Shanno/TRUMPET

Junior Missy Buttry won her second national cross country championship in Hanover, Indiana, while junior Josh Moen surprised everyone winning the men's national championship.

Contributed by Matt Townsley

Senior California Raisins Karina Jorgensen, Theresa Stotts, Katie Kamaus and Sarah Tuttle show off their Outfly costumes in October.

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Jesse Carmichael, Maroon 5's keyboardist, adjusts his blindfold during an interview. The band was part of Entertainment ToKnight's large performance of the year Nov. 10, 2003.
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To the Trumpet staff: Thanks for all your hard work this year. The countless hours you put in every week kept this publication informative and award-winning.
-Chief Kerl

Rare Saturday final causes stir

By ALLISON SCHMIDT
Staff Writer

Final exams for the 2004 Winter Term will be April 13 to April 17. This is the first time since 1996 that finals have been scheduled on a Saturday.

This decision has caused many students and faculty to question if the exam date could be changed.

"We looked at it and discussed it and decided that it was really kind of late to make these changes," said Dr. Ferol Menzel, dean of faculty. "The only thing we could do is get rid of that Monday [break] after Easter, and there were enough objections to trying to make that last-minute change that we decided we would just try to live through it this year."

Menzel explained that the schedule for each semester must contain a certain number of days in both Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes as well as Tuesday and Thursday classes. Winter Term finals schedule works around Easter Break, which includes days off for Good Friday as well as the following Monday. Depending when Easter falls, finals are occasionally scheduled on a Saturday.

Junior Emily Crawford, academic ombudsperson, said that Student Senate also looked into the possibility of changing the Saturday finals, including the option of holding classes the day after Easter and beginning finals Tuesday instead of Wednesday. Crawford pointed out that this option would affect the entire student body rather than just the portion that has finals Saturday.

Holding classes on Monday would require traveling Easter day, which was a primary concern.

"I feel that since the finals on Saturday affect only a portion of the student body, instead of everyone traveling on Easter, that the schedule is acceptable and understandable," Crawford said.

Saturday finals will still cause conflicts for some students. Junior Colin Buzza will be taking the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) that day, which is only offered twice a year.

"Luckily I don't have a final on Saturday, so it's not really a problem," Buzza said, "but I know there are many people who have a final scheduled at the same time as the MCAT."

Crawford said some professors are working one-on-one with students who have testing, athletic or traveling conflicts with the Saturday finals.

Menzel assured students that the schedule for the next two years doesn't include any Saturday finals.

"We've gotten enough feedback this year that has been unhappy about it that we'll try very hard not to let this happen again," Menzel said.

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ABOUT FACE

What do you think about the Saturday final?

Kari Lange, junior
"It doesn't affect me, but it affects my service trip because we'll have to wait until some students are done with finals before we can leave."

Tanner Swenson, freshman
"I have a bio final on Saturday, and I'm really not looking forward to it. I can understand why we have it on Saturday, but that doesn't mean I'm excited about it."

Hiro Murao, junior
"For me, it doesn't matter. I'm an international student, so I couldn't go home."

CAMPUS BRIEFS

SCIENCE, MATH RESEARCH DISPLAY

Seniors in biology, biochemistry, chemistry, computer science, mathematics and physics will display and discuss their research in a poster session from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Heritage and St. Elizabeth Ballrooms of the Student Center. The campus community is invited to join them for refreshments and conversation.

SOCIAL SCIENCE PRESENTATIONS

Students in Advanced Research Methods (PSY/SO/PS 421) will present their research projects from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Heritage Ballroom of the Student Center.

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Each graduating senior is entitled to five general admission tickets. If unable to pick up the tickets in person, contact Karen Funk at Ext. 8286 to request that tickets be sent via campus mail. No tickets are needed if the ceremony is outdoors.

FUNDS RAISED FOR CLEFT PALATE

Wartburg Pavement Pounders raised a total of $650 at the Poundin' For a Cause charity run for cleft lip and palate research. Student Senate donated $200 for the event. Fifty-three participants completed the 5-kilometer course. Proceeds will be donated to research programs at the University of Iowa.

Donations are still being collected and can be sent to: ATTN: Wartburg Pavement Pounders, Poundin' For a Cause, Wartburg College, 100 Wartburg Blvd., Waverly, IA 50677.

WARTBURG STUDENTS RECEIVE MATHEMATICAL RECOGNITION

Three Wartburg College students were recognized at the 2004 Mathematical Contest in Modeling. Seniors Michael DeBower, Jason Rasmussen and Christopher Kistler received a Meritous Winner award for their research and optimal solution submission for one of three open-ended modeling problems. They placed in the top 10 percent of the 599 teams participating worldwide. The event was sponsored by COMAP, the Consortium for Mathematics and its Applications and is the only international math competition for students.

QUADE ADVANCES IN FORENSICS

Junior Erika Quade advanced to the quarterfinals in the Communication Analysis category at the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament in Long Beach, Calif. Quade is the first Wartburg student to advance to the quarterfinals. Senior Hiliary Baethke and sophomore Tiffany Flowers also competed at the event.

CAMPUS MINISTRY ELECTS BOARD

The results for campus ministry board elections include sophomore Jessica Swanson, president; senior Brandon Brissette, chaplain; sophomore Christopher Laughlin, vice president; sophomore Ian Hyde, special activities chair; freshmen Jeanette Bidne and Andrew Potratz, secretaries; and freshman Abbie Lichty, publicity chair.

Comedian of the Year nominee to perform Tuesday

By CASEY LUENSMANN
Staff Writer

Comedian Tim Young will perform at Wartburg Tuesday, sponsored by Entertainment ToKnight (ETK). His appearance was originally scheduled for February.

Tim Young

Young has performed at more than 200 colleges and was nominated for Comedian of the Year twice. He has been seen on "The Jim Bruer Show," "Daria" and recently taped an episode of "Premium Blend."

Young was first booked by ETK at a conference of the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA).

According to Kelly Sjurseth, director of campus programming, ETK tries to spread out events, bringing in one outside act a month.

"Things usually slow down in the spring," she said.

One-third to one-half of this year's ETK budget went toward bringing Maroon 5 to campus, the big event this year. One-fourth sponsored 12 smaller acts. The remaining funds went to co-sponsored activities and to Movie Knights.

Students on campus are encouraged to contact ETK and give them ideas on what they would like to see come to Wartburg. Sjurseth said ETK likes to have all acts except the large event booked by April when they go to the regional conference of the NACA.

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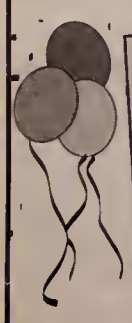

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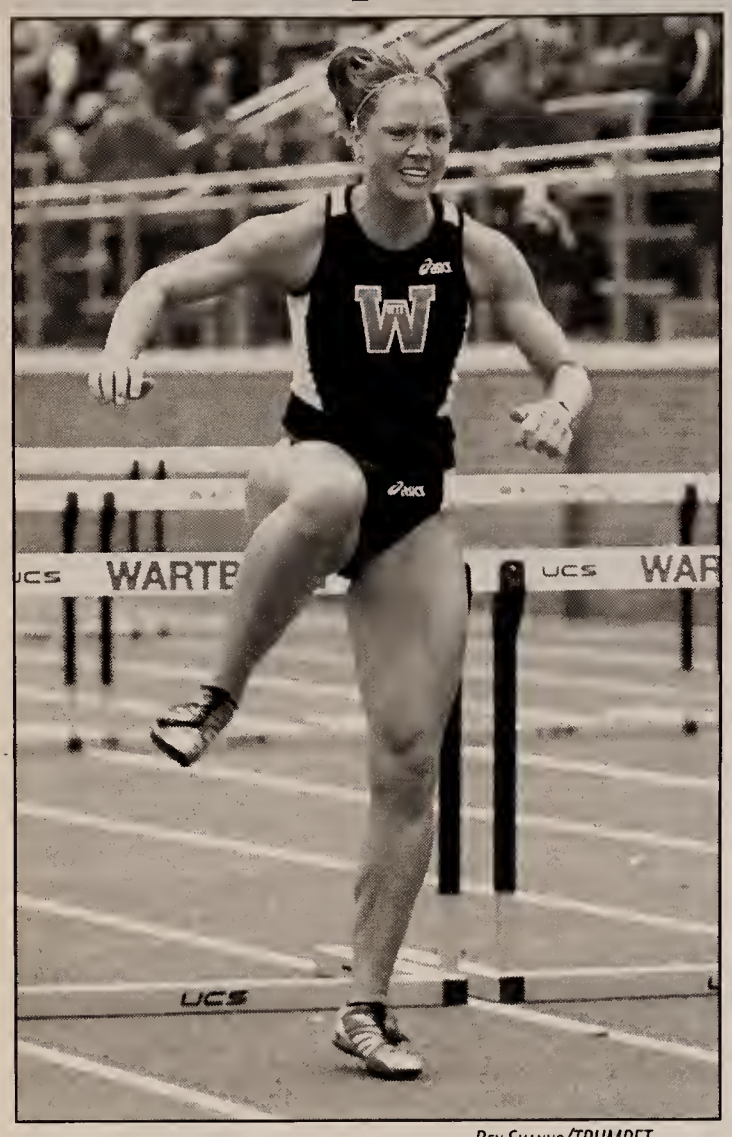

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KNEES UP—Senior Holly Dorenkamp clears her last hurdle in the 100 m hurdles Saturday at the Missouri Relays. Dorenkamp finished 10th (15.74).

Missouri relays give team top competition

By KATE HUNT
Assistant Sports Editor

The men's and women's track team turned in two individual champions in the javelin at the 2004 Norse Relays and five top finishes at the fifth annual University of Missouri Relays Saturday.

The individual champions were two-time NCAA Division III All- American senior Dia Dohlman (151 feet) and junior Tyler Ketelsen (176-5 feet).

In Missouri, junior NCAA Division III cross country champion Josh Moen finished second in the 5,000 meter (14:22.30) just a tenth of a second behind the first-place finisher Brian Lyons of Missouri Southern. Sophomore Mitch Allen finished sixth in the same event with a time of 14:56.00.

Freshman Jill Wagaman and junior Brooke Ferguson turned in a pair of top-seven finishes. Wagaman was fourth in the 3,000 meter with a time of 10:48.6, and Ferguson finished seventh in the 5,000 meter at 19:05.74.

"This meet has a lot of competition for us. There are a lot of Division I schools there, and it gives us a lot of good competition," said senior Jenny Goodall entering the Missouri Relays.

Goodall, who competed in the 100 meter dash, finished an overall 12th in a time of 12.91.

Freshman Bridget Burns and sophomore Ashley Williams gave Wartburg a strong showing in the women's 400-meter dash. Burns finished fourth in 57.99, and Williams finished eighth with a time of 59.66.

"This was a good meet for us to go to. When we compete with other D. (division) III schools, we always finish in the top five, with D. I and II schools we might not place in the top five all the time, but our times get a lot faster," Burns said.

At the Norse Relays, Wartburg was represented by 40 athletes. Those athletes earned a total of 43 top-10 finishes, and two individual champions in the javelin events.

The field events showed well for both the men's and women's teams. Sophomore Phil Barnett finished third in the hammer (155-6, 4739m) and the shot put (47-5, 14.45m). He finished seventh in the discus (137-7, 41.93m). Sophomore Tyler Ketelsen won the javelin with a throw of 176 feet five inches.

For the women, senior Theresa Stotts finished second in the hammer with a throw of 139 feet and 1 inch, 42.40 meters and seventh in the discuss (118 feet, 35.94m).

Senior Dia Dohlman earned a Carlsson Stadium and Norse Relay record in the javelin with a 151-foot effort. In her attempt, she earned an automatic national outdoor track and field bid and outthrew the rest of her competition by 26 feet. Finishing second in the javelin was sophomore Kelly Foley, who also earned an NCAA provisional qualifying bid, throwing 127-5, 38.85 meters.

In the relays, the men finished fourth in four events: the 4 x100m (44.62), 4 x 1600 (18:44.34), 4 x 800 (8:30.54) and the distance medley (10:58.20). The women finished fifth in the 4 x 100 (55.41), 4 x 200 (1:58.08) and in the 4 x 400 (4:26.96). The team earned a first-place finish in the distance medley with a time of 13:28.45. The women wrapped up the day finishing second in the 4 x 800 (10:14.24).

"Since we had the team divided up, we had a good showing. The wind caused some of our times to be slower, but overall we had a good meet," sophomore distance runner Ben Carlson said.

Carlson placed fourth in the 10,000 m (10 k) with a time of 33:34.68.

The men's team finished sixth overall with 76 points. The women finished fourth behind Wisconsin powerhouse UW- Eau Claire with 108 points.

Next up, the track and field team hosts the Wartburg Select, at Walston-Hoover Stadium on Friday and Saturday.

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Eye Opener

Sophomore conquers battle with blinding eye infection

By NICK PETAROS
Sports Editor

The first year as a collegiate student athlete can prove to be difficult and nerve-wracking. Freshmen must balance a new type of social life and athletics with long papers and difficult tests. However, the most challenging test that sophomore Melanie Ingwersen faced her freshman year wasn't in the classroom.

"Night and day it hurt, it was like sandpaper in your eye. I gave it water, and it would spread, and it gradually got worse and worse until the point where I had to see a doctor," she said.

After receiving treatment in Cedar Rapids for a week due to an eye infection from contact lenses, she still felt pain in her eye. Accompanied by her mom, Ingwersen went to the University of Iowa hospital in Iowa City. In the fall of 2002 Ingwersen was diagnosed with acanthamoeba, an amoeba that causes a potentially blinding eye infection.

"We had no idea what it [acanthamoeba] was," Ingwersen said. "When the doctor said it, we were like what? What is this? We don't understand."

Ingwersen and her family were told that acanthamoeba was very rare, occurring in 1.64-2.04 people per million among contact lens wearers. According to the EPA, published work suggests an incidence of 0.58 cases to 0.71 per million among the general U.S. population.

"I was really shocked, and I think I'd rather have won the lottery than had something like that [acanthamoeba] occur," she said.

Since she wore contacts and is an Iowan, Ingwersen's odds of contracting acanthamoeba were increased. EPA data shows that 85 percent of all acanthamoeba cases are associated with individuals who wear contact lenses. Acanthamoeba breeds quickly in contact lens cases. To prevent exposure lenses must be rinsed only with lens solution.

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SMILING STRONG—Through her battle with acanthamoeba, Melanie Ingwersen has gained a new outlook on life. She is involved with the Iowa Lions eye bank and offers advice to others with acanthamoeba.

An epidemiological study in the Midwest suggested that an epidemic of acanthamoeba infection was associated with municipal water supplies subjected to flooding during 1993-1994. The incidence of acanthamoeba was 10 times greater in areas subjected to flooding with 14.3 cases per million. Iowa well water was specifically cited as a potential source of infection with an above-average incidence of 1.3 cases per million.

After being diagnosed with acanthamoeba, Ingwersen's vision depleted to the point where she became legally blind. On Feb. 13, 2003, she underwent a successful corneal transplant in Iowa City.

"My doctor told me that after you have surgery, you're probably going to be mad at me and ask me why didn't you do this sooner," Ingwersen said. "Once I got out that's exactly what I was thinking. Why didn't we already get this done? That next day I didn't have my full vision back, but I could actually see, where before I couldn't."

It took Ingwersen about a year to get her vision back to normal with contact lenses. Throughout her battle with acanthamoeba, she continued practices as a member of the Wartburg softball team.

"She'd come to practice and try to help out," sophomore teammate Ashley Pfalzgraf said. "She couldn't bat, but she could do other things."

Ingwersen credited former head softball coach Randy Snyder's "enthusiasm and motivation" as factors that helped her to keep a positive attitude.

"I was at practice doing as much as I possibly could until the day before surgery," Ingwersen said. "I kept active with as much as I could do after the surgery."

Ingwersen's teammates also provided her with support throughout last season's operation.

"Everyone was there to send her care packages and cards, and be there for her emotionally," Pzlafgraf said.

Over the summer Ingwersen continued to hit and played catch in preparation for this season. Now a sophomore, she plays outfield for this year's junior varsity squad.

"She is 100 percent back to normal," Pfalzgraf said. "She's doing well and absolutely you can tell a difference."

"I feel like I missed out; I had to work twice as hard to get where I am," Ingwersen added.

Since completing her battle with the rare illness, Ingwersen has offered advice and support to other athletes. After surgery, she was contacted by Nick Drae, a baseball player at Wayne State in Nebraska, who had the infection. She also conversed via email with Creighton basketball player Tyler McKinney.

"I helped him [McKinney] to answer a lot of questions about things that he had no idea about. But I had the experience, and I could give him an idea of what was happening and what would happen. And just the idea that he had someone to talk about it with, because the infection is so rare," Ingwersen said.

While she was able to provide support to others, Ingwersen's source of support has been her family and faith.

"My family and I grew tighter; we had to. We are very religious, and that helped a lot."

Through her pain and perseverance with acanthamoeba, Ingwersen has gained a new outlook on life.

"You don't realize what you have until it's gone," she said. "Losing my eyesight made me open my eyes literally to the world out there, not only within myself but within the community and within the Midwest. It really made me realize how precious something you take for granted really is."

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JOYFUL RETURN—A year after her cornea transplant, Melanie Ingwersen has resumed competition as a member of the JV softball team.

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U.S. Incidence of Acanthamoeba

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0.58 to 0.71	General Population
1.40	General Population
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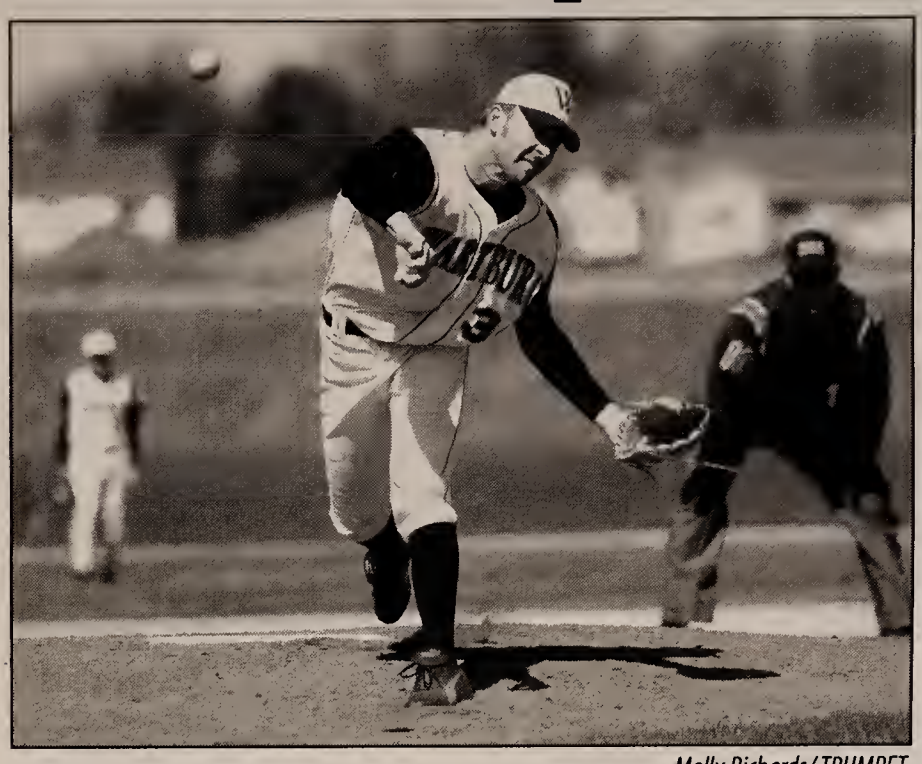

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SMOOTH RELEASE—Freshman Matt Scherbring mixes in the curve ball in game one of Saturday's conference opener against Loras.

By AARON HAGEN
Sports Writer

The Wartburg baseball team got back on track last week, winning three of four games. The Knights opened conference play Saturday with a doubleheader split against Loras. On Tuesday, Wartburg earned a doubleheader sweep over Franciscan College.

In game one against Loras, the Duhawks scored two runs in the first inning and never looked back. They added three runs in the fifth inning to take a 5-0 lead. Wartburg scored two runs in the seventh, but fell short, 5-2.

Sophomore Matt Scherbring took the loss. He surrendered five runs on four hits, struck out six and walked two in six innings.

Pitching dominated the second game of the Loras doubleheader. After three scoreless innings, both teams got on the board with a run in the fourth. The Knights pulled ahead in the fifth off an RBI single from senior Casey Toops.

Wartburg added two insurance runs in the sixth as junior Joel Reynolds and Klein each drove in a run. Starting pitcher sophomore Tyler Archer allowed one run and struck out six in his complete game four hitter, as the Knights sealed the 4-1 win.

"We bounced back and got a win, which we needed. We're frustrated with where our offense is and we're putting pressure on our pitching staff," said coach Joel Holst.

The Knights won a pair of games Tuesday against Franciscan College in Camanche. Wartburg was down 2-1 early in the first game. The Knights came back strong, outscoring Francisan 9-1, as Wartburg went on to the 10-3 win.

Scherbring picked up the win with a two-hit, three-run, five-strikeout performance.

The second game also went to the Knights as they scored five runs in the first two innings. Wartburg maintained its early lead and won 8-2.

Senior Charlie Colvin the win from the mound as he threw six innings, giving up two earned runs on three hits and struck out eight.

The Knights, 14-9, will host Gustavus Adolphus, Minn., Tuesday. Action is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Hertel field.

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Storm hits tennis

By AARON HAGEN
Sports Writer

After a tough weekend at Luther College, the Wartburg men's tennis team looked to rebound against the Simpson Storm in Indianola Tuesday. This attempt was unsuccessful as Wartburg lost by a 4-3 margin to Simpson for the sixth consecutive time over the last three years.

The Knights came out strong against the Storm in doubles and took the doubles point by winning two out of three matches. Junior Mark Giesmann and senior Nick Schauf won at No. 1 doubles (9-7). The tandem of sophomore Nick Wuertz and junior Matt Connell won at No. 3 doubles (8-5). The team's lone doubles loss came in the No. 2 match. Junior Blake Flores and sophomore Gerhard Aseidu-Ofei were defeated 9-7.

Wartburg wasn't as successful in singles though, and lost four out of six matches. Wartburg's wins came from Schauf (4-6, 6-2, 6-3), and from Giesmann (7-5, 6-1). Giesmann was very successful in the month of March. He has won every match since spring break.

Wartburg came close to securing its much-needed third singles win as the No. 1 and 4 matches both went into third sets. At No. 1 Gerhard Aseidu-Ofei was defeated 2-6, 6-3, 6-1. In the No. 4 match, junior Blake Flores lost 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.

Wuertz and sophomore Nick Petaros dropped their No. 5 and 6 matches 6-4, 6-2 and 6-1, 6-1, respectively.

The loss moves Wartburg to a 6-9 overall record on the season with a 3-5 conference record. Wartburg will have a rematch against the Simpson Storm April 13th at the Wartburg tennis complex.

"[In the next week] we hope to finalize spots for the tournament, build up endurance... we have a lot of good things going for us," Giesmann said.

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Iowa Conference Standings

	W	L
1. Coe	3	0
2. Central	4	0
3. Luther	4	1
4. Simpson	6	2
5. Cornell	4	4
6. Loras	3	4
7. Wartburg	3	5
8. Upper Iowa	1	8
9. Buena Vista	0	7
10. Dubuque	0	4

Illinois golf trip complete, home invite next on list

By ALLISON SCHMIDT
Staff Writer

The Wartburg men's golf team concluded a solid weekend of competition with second place and sixth place finishes at two invitational tournaments.

On Friday and Saturday, the Knights competed at the Augustana Invitational in Rock Island, Ill., where the team carded scores of 292 and 307 to finish in sixth place among the 19-team field with a total of 599. Central College, ranked 10th in Division III, captured first place with 585 strokes.

In the individual race, sophomore Kevin Ault's two-day total of 146 put him in a four-way tie for ninth. Junior Alan Johnson and senior Shaun Guyer each finished the tournament with 150s, while senior Dan Schmitz carded a 153 total.

"I felt we were fairly happy with our performance as a team," Johnson said. "We made a lot of strides over the weekend and gained more confidence going into our home meet this weekend."

On Thursday at the Knox Invitational in Galesburg, Ill., Johnson fired an even-par round of 72 to earn individual medalist honors and lead the Knights to a second-place finish. Wartburg's team total of 308 for the one-day tournament was just six strokes back of tournament host Knox College.

Dan Schmitz carded a 75 and finished in a four-way tie for fourth, while Ault finished in a three-way tie for 12th with a 78. Andy Schmitz rounded out the scoring for the Knights with an 83.

The Knights' next challenge comes Friday and Saturday as they host the Wartburg Invitational.

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Augustana Invite			
Team Total	292	307	599
Kevin Ault	74	72	146
Alan Johnson	72	78	150
Shaun Guyer	72	78	150
Dan Schmitz	73	80	153
Knox Invite			
Team Total		308	
Alan Johnson		72	
Dan Schmitz		75	
Kevin Ault		78	
Andy Schmitz		83	

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Champs downed

Softball splits conference opener, sweeps Eau-Claire

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HEAD FIRST—Junior shortstop Cindy Haneman slides into second base during Tuesday's game against Wisconsin Eau-Claire. In addition to helping the team earn a sweep of Eau-Claire, Haneman drove in the game-winning runs to defeat defending national champion Central College.

By HOLLIE REYNOLDS
Sports Writer

The Wartburg Knights softball team kept rolling this week, starting with a sweep and ending with a split.

Saturday marked the start of conference play with the No. 6-ranked Knights going on the road and splitting a doubleheader against the No. 12-ranked Central Dutch. The doubleheader provided a rematch from last year's College World Series, where the Dutch eliminated the Knights en route to becoming National Champions.

In a two-out fourth-inning rally in the first game, junior shortstop Cindy Hanneman drove in the game-winning runs in a 2-1 victory over Central. Wartburg ace senior Kelly Watkins threw a complete game, giving up only one earned run on five hits. She secured her ninth win on the season.

"It felt good to get a little revenge after they beat us out last year in the World Series," captain Betsy Girsch said.

In the nightcap the Knights got off to a quick 1-0 lead in the first inning. Central would refuse to go away; with the game knotted at 2-2 in the bottom of the sixth inning, Central's bats came to life. The Dutch managed to push two more runs across the plate winning 4-2, sending Wartburg its first conference loss of the season and second overall.

Sophomore Renae Vomacka tallied two RBI's providing the Knights offense with its only two runs. Sophomore Jackie Sorensen saw her record drop to 11-2 despite surrendering only two earned runs and four hits in six innings of work.

"We were right there with them, we had every chance to win this game but just ended up falling short in the end," Girsch said.

Tuesday the Knights earned a two-game sweep of Wisconsin Eau-Claire. Wartburg took the first game 12-3 behind a strong offensive performance and Watkins' solid pitching. With the score only 5-2 heading into the bottom of the fourth, the Knights exploded for seven runs, taking advantage of some shoddy Eau Claire defense. Offensively, senior Heather Winter and sophomore Lindsay Smith, who each had two hits and two RBIs, led the Knights.

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BUNT AND RUN—Sophomore Jenny Flora lays down a bunt during Tuesday's game against Wisconsin Eau-Claire.

The second game was a little closer for Wartburg, who scored all five of their runs in the third inning for a 5-0 victory. The Knights delivered a big blow to Eau Claire when sophomore Deb Schindler hit a two-out, three-run home run. Sorensen pitched the complete game shutout, recording six strikeouts and giving up just two hits.

Knights softball (20-2, 1-1 IIAC) returns to conference action on Wednesday at Coe College. Play is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m.

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National champions recognized

By KATE HUNT
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Members of the Iowa Legislature will recognize Wartburg's national wrestling and cross country champions at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Iowa House Chambers.

Athletes attending will be the members of the 2004 NCAA Division III wrestling national champions, including individual champions senior Bart Mehlert (149), junior Ryan Sturm (184), sophomore Dustin Hinschberger (141) and sophomore Akeem Carter (197). Also being honored will be men's and women's NCAA Division III Cross Country national champions, juniors Missy Buttry and Josh Moen.

The state of Iowa recognizes all of their national champions by holding a reception to commend the athletes on their performances and coaches for the recognition that they bring to Iowa.

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Rich Rites

Gophers representing

It's that time of year again. My pencil is sharpened down to the point where it meets the eraser, my bracket looks like a spring training line-up card and the only way I could win a pool is if the scoring system was changed to a golf format.

Alas, I have received requests to do a column on basketball, and since I aim to please, I will do my best.

Richard Podhajsky
Sports Writer

Not being the most avid basketball fan, I tried to find something that was inspiring and unique about this year's tournament. In my search I did find something refreshing (and it wasn't just the fact that I don't have a Saturday final, which was equally satisfying); a team outside the top ten made the women's final four. A team from the Midwest nonetheless.

UCONN, Tennessee and Duke had comprised three of the four final-four teams the last two years. While the former two are there again, it is nice to see Minnesota join the ranks of these titans of women's basketball. This is a team, mind you, who finished behind Iowa in the final Big Ten conference standings.

Yes, I would like to congratulate our neighbors from the north for giving some of the Wartburg family something to cheer about this year. I mean, let's face it, basketball in Iowa was down this year. No offense to UNI, but for them to be the best team in the state, something has to be up.

Since I am a fan of quick quizzes, I decided to test myself. First question: Who is Minnesota's leading scorer? Um, I don't know was all I could muster. So I figured I would try something easier than statistics: Who is one player in Minnesota's starting line-up? Well, you know, that girl, I think her name starts with a 'W'.

I finally gave up and went to my source of eternal knowledge - ESPN.com. There I found out that I do know something about Minnesota women's basketball - they do have a girl whose last name starts with 'W'. Actually, Lindsay Whalen is the answer to both questions, although from the reading I have done, center Janel McCarville has done a pretty good job this season as well.

After realizing that I had basically no knowledge about the Minnesota's women's basketball team, I decided the best way to find out more is to actually watch them play. So, in honor of both the Minnesotans and women's basketball fans across our campus, (although I couldn't promise my full attention because Sunday Night Baseball does premiere this week), I had my TV tuned to the game on Sunday night.

Despite a valiant second half Minnesota comeback effort, UCONN continued to prove its dominance in the sport of women's basketball as it earned another trip to the national title game. While the Golden Gophers didn't earn the win, they played with a lot of heart and definitely proved that they belonged in the final four.

I would like to extend my congratulations to the Minnesota Golden Gophers women's basketball team on an amazing season, which came to an unfortunate end last night at the hands of the two-time defending champions. It was a historic run which many of my fellow Wartburgites can be proud of.

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